

EUSAIR StEP project WP5 launch event

Interact's support to Interreg IPA programme cooperation and MRS embedding

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Synergies across funding programmes and MRS embedding among Interact focus areas

Larger territorial impact – supporting reforms

Pooling resources and initiatives to address shared challenges, more coordinated efforts across funding programmes aligned with, e.g., MRS objectives.

Links between programmes, funds to build synergies and avoid overlaps

Aiming to address territorial interdependencies and minimise the "border effect" in functional border areas.



Cooperation between EU and non-EU countries

Transfer of knowledge and know-how from EU member states to non-EU IPA countries, to their local, regional, national administrations and beneficiaries.

Contributing to building a trust environment and mutual understanding between stakeholders in both EU and IPA countries

How do we support Interreg IPA programmes

- Harmonising and simplifying the programme implementation
- Mutual learning and capitalisation of results
- Work with cooperation actions and mainstreaming of Interreg results



Synergies between programmes

Automated data
exchange – a pilot
involving four Interreg
IPA programmes and
expanding



Cooperation between Interreg IPA and IPA-IPA

Cooperation between Interreg IPA cross-border programmes and IPA-IPA programmes was launched in 2022 during the EUSAIR Annual Forum in Tirana. Joint effort with CBIB+



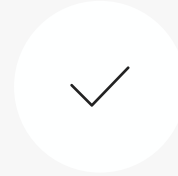
Highest potential for synergies based on the programme documents



Focus for 2025

Support to enlargement and capacity building

Support to the EU enlargement and IPA programmes is one of the core priorities for 2025 and the post-2027 debate



Continues support to networking and harmonisation

Through network meetings and events, and further tool development.



Scoping missions to IPA countries

The aim is to identify the capacity building needs and develop tailor made solutions



Continue supporting synergies between Interreg IPA and IPA – IPA programmes

Next meeting back-to-back to the EUSAIR Annual forum (?)



We want to learn more **about programme needs and are open to provide further support and information.**

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Cooperation works